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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Cadoux

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A SERIALLY STAGED, INITIAL

PUBLIC STOCK OFFERING METHOD

## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222

August 12, 2002

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 14, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

In the Specification

Please replace the title of the application with the following rewritten title:

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A SERIALLY STAGED, INITIAL PUBLIC STOCK OFFERING METHOD

## In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for offering shares of stock of a privately-held company to

the public as part of an initial public offering, comprising: